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Jon Rinehart
On Scene Coordinator
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re: EPA Letter Dated February 14, 2014 Approving the Johnny M Site Investigation Report (SIR), CERCLA Docket No. 06-11-12

Dear Mr. Rinehart:

Thank you for the letter dated February 14, 2014 approving the Site Investigation Report (SIR) for the Johnny M Mine and Adjacent Properties. Hecla Limited (Hecla) plans to address the three items you identified in the pending Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis (EECA).

Hecla suggests holding a technical scoping meeting with EPA to discuss remedial alternatives to be included in the EECA. In this meeting, Hecla proposes to present for discussion a list of viable remedial alternatives for evaluation. The goal of the meeting would be to obtain general agreement between Hecla and the EPA on the alternatives to be evaluated. Hecla suggests this technical meeting be held in Albuquerque, preferably between March 24 and 28, 2014.

Please direct any questions you may have regarding this letter and coordinating the meeting with Mike Schierman of Environmental Restoration Group.

Sincerely,

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